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1. The information disclosure statements (IDS) submitted on 09/29/03 and 11/14/03 have been received. The submissions are in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statements have being considered by the examiner.

The forms 1449 have been attached to this Office Action. Case will be forwarded to Board of Appeals.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Julio C. Gonzalez whose telephone number is 571-272-2024. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (8AM-5PM).

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